

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 306

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A RESOLUTION to establish the North Hamilton - Rhea County Creek Management Task Force in addressing flooding and land use issues.

WHEREAS, local government officials and citizens in North Hamilton and Rhea Counties have expressed an interest in increasing knowledge in water management and land use planning as methods of eliminating flooding concerns; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to create a means of facilitating communication between the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation and citizens of North Hamilton and Rhea Counties; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that the North Hamilton - Rhea County Creek Management Task Force is established to study land use practices to manage long-term flooding, including the root causes of flooding and emergency responses to such flooding, and develop workable solutions for implementation by all affected citizens and governmental entities in the area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the North Hamilton – Rhea County Creek Management Task Force shall consist of the following members:

- (a) A representative of the City of Soddy-Daisy;
- (b) A representative of the City of Dayton;
- (c) A representative of the City of Spring City;
- (d) A representative of the City of Graysville;
- (e) The mayor of Hamilton County, or designee;
- (f) The mayor of Rhea County, or designee;

(g) The state representative(s) within whose district(s) these cities lie; and

(h) The state senator(s) within whose district(s) these cities lie.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the representatives of the Cities of Soddy-Daisy, Dayton, Spring City, and Graysville shall be appointed and/or replaced at the will of the mayor of the respective city.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the mayors of Hamilton County and Rhea County, or designees, shall serve as co-chairmen of the task force.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation is urged to participate with the North Hamilton - Rhea County Creek Management Task Force to provide information and assist to address flooding concerns with the Task Force.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tennessee Valley Authority, United States Natural Resources Conservation Services, the United States Army Corps of Engineers, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and all other appropriate state and local agencies are urged to provide assistance to the task force upon request of the co-chairmen.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the task force shall meet at least twice a year, or less frequently if determined by a majority vote of the members of the task force.